Taiwan Cement Corporation Corporate Governance Best Practice Principles

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Chapter I. General Principle

- Article 1 To establish sound corporate governance best practice in reference to the Corporate Governance Best Practice Principles for TWSE/TPEx Listed Companies jointly adopted by Taiwan Stock Exchange Corporation (TWSE) and the Taipei Exchange (TPEx), Taiwan Cement Corporation (TCC) hereby promulgate this Corporate Governance Best Practice Principles (Principles) to establish an effective corporate governance best practice framework; these Principles are disclosed through the Market Observation Post System (MOPS).
- Article 2 The Principles established by TCC, in addition to complying with relevant laws, regulations, articles of incorporation, and other relevant regulations, shall follow the following principles:
 - 1. Protect the rights and interests of shareholders.
 - 2. Strengthen the powers of the board of directors.
 - 3. Fulfill the function of directors.
 - 4. Respect the rights and interests of stakeholders.
 - 5. Enhance information transparency.
- Article 3 TCC shall follow the Criteria Governing Establishment of Internal Control Systems by Public Reporting Companies and take into consideration the overall operational activities of itself and its subsidiaries to design and fully implement an internal control system, and shall conduct continuing reviews of the system, in order to ensure the continued effectiveness of its design and implementation in light of changes in the company's internal and external environment.

TCC shall perform full self-assessments of its internal control system.

Its board of directors and management shall review the results of the self-assessments by each department at least annually and the reports of the internal audit department. The audit committee shall also attend to and supervise these matters. Directors shall periodically hold discussions with their internal auditors about reviews of internal control system deficiencies. A record of the discussions shall be kept, and the discussions shall be followed up, improvements implemented, and a report submitted to the board of directors.

TCC shall establish channels and mechanisms of communication between their independent directors, audit committees and chief internal auditors, and the convener of the audit committee shall report their communications with the audit committee members and chief internal auditors at the shareholders' meeting.

The management team of TCC shall pay special attention to the internal audit department and its personnel, fully empower them and urge them to conduct audits effectively, to evaluate problems of the internal control system and assess the efficiency of its operations to ensure that the system can operate effectively on an on-going basis, and to assist the board of directors and the management to perform their duties effectively so as to ensure a sound corporate governance.

Article 3-1 TCC shall appoint an adequate number of corporate governance personnel with appropriate qualifications based on the business situations and management needs, and appoint a chief corporate governance officer as the most senior officer to be in charge of corporate governance affairs as required by the competent authority. The said officer shall be a qualified and admitted lawyer or accountant or have been in a managerial position for at least three years in a securities, financial, or futures related institution or a public company in handling legal affairs, regulatory compliance, internal audits, financial affairs, stock affairs, or corporate governance affairs. It is required that the corporate governance affairs mentioned in the preceding paragraph include at least the following items:

1. Handling matters relating to board meetings and shareholders meetings according to laws.

2. Producing minutes of board meetings and shareholders meetings.

3. Assisting in onboarding and continuous development of directors and supervisors.

4. Furnishing information required for business execution by directors and supervisors.

5. Assisting directors and supervisors with legal compliance.

6. Handling other related matters stipulated under the articles of incorporation or agreement(s).

Chapter II. Protections of Shareholder's Rights and Interests

Section I Encourage Shareholders to Engage in Corporate Governance

- Article 4 TCC's Principles shall be designed to protect shareholders' rights and interests and treat all shareholders equitably and shall establish a corporate governance system which ensures shareholders' rights of being fully informed of, participating in and making decisions over important corporate matters of TCC.
- Article 5 TCC shall convene shareholders' meetings in accordance with the Company Act and relevant laws and regulations, and provide comprehensive rules for such meetings and shall faithfully implement resolutions adopted by shareholders' meetings in accordance with the rules for the meetings.

Resolutions adopted by shareholders' meetings of TCC shall comply with laws, regulations and articles of incorporation.

Article 6 TCC's board of directors shall properly arrange the agenda items and procedures for shareholders' meetings and properly handle the proposals duly submitted by shareholders. Arrangements shall be made to hold shareholders' meetings at a convenient location, with sufficient time allowed and sufficient numbers of suitable personnel assigned to handle attendance registrations. No arbitrary requirements shall be imposed on shareholders to provide additional evidentiary documents beyond those showing eligibility to attend. Shareholders shall be granted reasonable time to deliberate each proposal and an appropriate opportunity to make statements.

For a shareholders' meeting called by TCC's board of directors, it is encouraged that the board chairperson should chair the meeting, that a majority of the directors (including at least one independent director) and convener of the audit committee should attend the meeting, and that at least one member of other functional committees should attend the meeting as representative. Attendance details should be recorded in the shareholders' meeting minutes.

Article 7 TCC shall encourage its shareholders to actively participate in corporate governance. It is advisable that TCC engage a professional shareholder services agent to handle shareholders' meeting matters, so that shareholders' meetings can proceed on a legal, effective and secure basis. TCC shall seek all ways and means, including fully exploiting technologies for information disclosure, to upload annual reports, annual financial statements, notices, agendas and supplementary information of shareholders' meetings in both Chinese and English concurrently, and shall adopt electronic voting, in order to enhance shareholders' attendance rates at shareholders' meetings and ensure their exercise of rights at such meetings in accordance with laws.

TCC is advised to avoid raising extraordinary motions and amendments to original proposals at a shareholders' meeting.

TCC is advised to arrange for their shareholders to vote on each separate proposal in the shareholders' meeting agenda, and following conclusion of the meeting, to enter the voting results the same day, namely the numbers of votes cast for and against and the number of abstentions, on the MOPS.

Article 8 TCC shall record in the shareholders' meeting minutes the date and place of the meeting, the name of the chairperson, the method of adopting resolutions, and a summary of the essential points of the proceedings and the results of the meeting in accordance with the Company Act and other applicable laws and regulations. With respect to the election of directors, the meeting minutes shall record the method of voting adopted therefore and the total number of votes for the elected directors.

TCC shall properly and perpetually maintain the minutes of its shareholders' meetings throughout its legal existence and is advised to adequately post such meeting minutes on its website.

Article 9 The chairperson of the shareholders' meetings shall be fully familiar and comply with the rules governing the proceedings of the shareholders' meetings established by TCC and shall not arbitrarily adjourn the meetings.

In order to protect the interests of majority shareholders, if the chairperson declares the adjournment of the meeting in a manner in violation of rules governing the proceedings of the shareholders meetings, the members of the board of directors other than the chairperson of the shareholders' meeting is advised to promptly assist the attending shareholders at the shareholders' meeting in electing a new chairperson of the shareholders' meeting to continue the proceedings of the meeting, by a resolution to be adopted by a majority of the votes represented by the shareholders attending the said meeting in accordance with the legal procedures

Article 10 TCC shall emphasize on the importance of shareholder's right to know, and shall faithfully comply with applicable regulations regarding information disclosure in order to provide shareholders with regular and timely information on company financial conditions and operations, insider shareholdings, and corporate governance status through the MOPS or TCC's website.

To treat all shareholders equally, TCC is advised to concurrently disclose the information under the preceding paragraph in English.

To protect its shareholders' rights and interests and ensure their equal treatment, TCC shall adopt internal rules prohibiting company insiders from trading securities using information not disclosed to the market.

It is advisable that the rules referred to in the preceding paragraph include the measures for controlling stock trading by insiders from the date on which they learn of the company's financial statements or relevant performance contents.

Article 11 The shareholders shall be entitled to profit distributions by TCC. In order to ensure the investment interests of shareholders, the shareholders meeting may, pursuant to Article 184 of the Company Act, examine the statements and books prepared and submitted by the board of directors and the reports submitted by the audit committee, and may decide profit distributions and deficit off-setting plans by resolution. In order to proceed with the above examination, the shareholders' meeting may appoint an inspector.

> The shareholders may, pursuant to Article 245 of the Company Act, apply with the court to select an inspector in examining the accounting records, assets, particulars, documents and records of specific transaction of the company.

> TCC's board of directors, audit committee or managers shall fully cooperate in the examination conducted by the inspectors in the aforesaid two paragraphs without any circumvention, obstruction or rejection.

Article 12 In entering into material financial and business transactions such as acquisition or disposal of assets, lending funds, and making endorsements or providing guarantees, TCC shall proceed in accordance with the applicable laws and/or regulations and establish operating procedures in relation to these material financial and business transactions which shall be reported to and approved by the shareholders' meeting so as to protect the interests of the shareholders. When TCC is involved in a merger, acquisition or public tender offer, in addition to proceeding in accordance with the applicable laws and/or regulations, it shall not only pay attention to the fairness, rationality, etc. of the plan and transaction of the merger, acquisition or public tender offer, but information disclosure and the soundness of the company's financial structure thereafter.

The relevant personnel of TCC handling the matters in the preceding paragraph shall pay attention to the occurrence of any conflicts of interest and the need for recusal.

Article 13 In order to protect the interests of the shareholders, TCC is advised to designate responsible personnel dedicated to handling shareholder proposals, inquiries, and disputes.

TCC shall properly deal with any legal action duly instituted by shareholders in which it is claimed that shareholder rights and interests were damaged by a resolution adopted at a shareholders meeting or a board of directors meeting in violation of applicable laws, regulations, or the company's articles of incorporation, or that such damage was caused by a breach of applicable laws, regulations or the company's articles of incorporation by any directors or managers in performing their duties.

TCC is advised to adopt internal procedures for appropriate handling of matters referred to in the preceding two paragraphs, and that it keep relevant written records for future reference and incorporate the procedures in its internal control system for management purposes.

Section II. Establishing Mechanism for Interaction with Shareholders

- Article 13-1 TCC's board of directors is responsible for establishing a mechanism for interaction with shareholders to enhance mutual understanding of the development of TCC's objectives.
- Article 13-2 In addition to communicating with shareholders through shareholders' meetings and encouraging shareholders to participate in such meetings, TCC's board of directors together with officers and independent directors shall engage with shareholders in an efficient manner to ascertain shareholders' views and concerns, and expound company policies explicitly, in order to gain shareholders' support.

Section III. Corporate Governance Relationships Between the Company and Its Affiliated Enterprises

Article 14 TCC shall clearly identify the objectives and the division of authority

and responsibility between it and its affiliated enterprises with respect to management of personnel, assets, and financial matters, and shall properly carry out risk assessments and establish appropriate firewalls.

- Article 15 Unless otherwise provided by the laws and regulations, TCC's manager shall not serve as a manager of TCC's affiliated enterprises.
 TCC's directors who engage in any transaction for himself/themselves or on behalf of another person that is within the scope of the company's operations shall explain the major content of such actions to the shareholders' meeting and obtain its consent.
- Article 16 TCC shall establish sound objectives and systems for management of finance, operations, and accounting in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. TCC shall further, together with its affiliated enterprises, properly conduct an overall risk assessment of major banks dealt with, customers and suppliers, and implement the necessary control mechanisms to reduce credit risk.
- Article 17 When TCC and its affiliated enterprises enter into inter-company business transactions, a written agreement governing the relevant financial and business operations between them shall be made in accordance with the principle of fair dealing and reasonableness. Price and payment terms shall be definitively stipulated when contracts are signed, and non-arm's length transactions shall be prohibited.

All transactions or contracts made by and between TCC and its affiliated persons and shareholders shall follow the principles set forth in the preceding paragraph, and any improper channeling of profits is strictly prohibited.

Article 18 A corporate shareholder having controlling power over TCC shall comply with the following provisions:

1. It shall bear a duty of good faith to other shareholders and shall not directly or indirectly cause the company to conduct any business which is contrary to normal business practice or not profitable.

2. Its representative shall follow the rules implemented by TCC with respect to the exercise of rights and participation of resolution, so that

at a shareholders' meeting, the representative shall exercise his/her voting right in good faith and for the best interest of all shareholders and shall exercise the fiduciary duty and duty of care of a director.

3. It shall comply with relevant laws, regulations and the articles of incorporation of the company in nominating directors and shall not act beyond the authority granted by the shareholders' meeting or board meeting.

4. It shall not improperly intervene in corporate policy making or obstruct corporate management activities.

5. It shall not restrict or impede the management or production of the company by methods of unfair competition such as monopolizing corporate procurement or foreclosing sales channels.

6. The representative that is designated when a corporate shareholder has been elected as a director shall meet the company's requirements for professional qualifications. Arbitrary replacement of the corporate shareholder's representative is inappropriate.

Article 19 TCC shall retain at all times a register of major shareholders who own a relatively high percentage of shares and have controlling power, and of the persons with ultimate control over those major shareholders. TCC shall disclose periodically important information about its shareholders holding more than 10 percent of the outstanding shares of the company relating to the pledge, increase or decrease of share ownership, or other matters that may possibly trigger a change in the ownership of their shares, so as to allow other shareholders to monitor such matters.

The major shareholder stated in the first paragraph refers to one who holds 5 percent or more of the outstanding shares of the company or the shareholding stake thereof is on the top 10 list.

Chapter III Enhancing the Functions of the Board of Directors Section 1 Structure of the Board of Directors

Article 20 TCC's board of directors shall direct company strategies, supervise the

management, and be responsible to the company and shareholders. The various procedures and arrangements of its corporate governance system shall ensure that, in exercising its authority, the board of directors complies with laws, regulations, its articles of incorporation, and the resolutions of its shareholders' meetings.

The structure of TCC's board of directors shall be determined by choosing an appropriate number of board members, not less than five, in consideration of its business scale, the shareholdings of its major shareholders, and practical operational needs.

The composition of the board of directors shall be determined by taking diversity into consideration. It is advisable that the directors concurrently serving as company officers not exceed one-third of the total number of the board members, and that an appropriate policy on diversity based on the company's business operations, operating dynamics, and development needs be formulated and include, without being limited to, the following two general standards:

1. Basic requirements and values: including, but not limited to, gender, age, nationality, **ethnicity**, and culture.

2. Professional knowledge and skills: professional background (e.g., law, accounting, industry, finance, marketing or technology), professional skills, and industry experience.

All members of the board shall have the knowledge, skills, and experience necessary to perform their duties. To achieve the ideal goal of corporate governance, the board of directors shall possess the following abilities:

- 1. Ability to make operational judgments.
- 2. Ability to perform accounting and financial analysis.
- 3. Ability to conduct management administration.
- 4. Ability to conduct crisis management.
- 5. Knowledge of the industry.
- 6. An international market perspective.
- 7. Ability to lead.

8. Ability to make policy decisions

Article 21 TCC shall, according to the principles for the protection of shareholder rights and interests and equitable treatment of shareholders, establish a fair, just, and open procedure for the election of directors, encourage shareholder participation, and adopt the cumulative voting mechanism pursuant to the Company Act in order to fully reflect shareholders' views.

A spousal relationship or a familial relationship within the second degree of kinship may not exist among more than half of TCC's directors.

When the number of directors falls below five due to the discharge of a director for any reason, the company shall hold a by-election for director at the following shareholders' meeting. When the number of directors falls short by one-third of the total number prescribed by the articles of incorporation, the company shall convene a special shareholders' meeting within 60 days of the occurrence of that fact for a by-election for director(s).

The aggregate shareholding percentage of all of TCC's directors shall comply with the laws and regulations. Restrictions on the share transfer of each director and the creation, release, or changes of any pledges over the shares held by each director shall be subject to the relevant laws and regulations, and the relevant information shall be fully disclosed.

- Article 22 TCC shall specify in its articles of incorporation in accordance with the regulations and rules promulgated by the competent authority that it adopts the candidate nomination system for elections of directors, carefully review the qualifications, education background and experience of a nominated candidate and the existence of any other matters set forth in Article 30 of the Company Act, and act in accordance with Article 192-1 of the Company Act.
- Article 23 Clear distinctions shall be drawn between the responsibilities and duties of the chairperson of the board of TCC and those of its general

manager.

It is inappropriate for the chairperson to also act as the general manager or other equivalent position.

TCC shall clearly define the responsibilities and duties of its functional committees.

Section II. Independent Director System

Article 24 TCC shall appoint independent directors in accordance with its articles of incorporation. They shall be not less than three in number and not less than one-fifth of the total number of directors.

> Independent directors shall possess professional knowledge and be subject to restrictions on their shareholdings and holding concurrent positions. Applicable laws and regulations shall be observed and, in addition, it is advisable that an independent director not hold office concurrently as a director (including independent director) or supervisor of more than five other TWSE/TPEx listed companies. Independent directors shall also maintain independence within the scope of their directorial duties, and may not have any direct or indirect interest in the company.

> Where TCC and its group enterprises and organizations, and another company and its group enterprises and organizations nominate for each other any director or managerial officer as a candidate for an independent director of the other, TCC shall, at the time it receives the nominations for independent directors, disclose the fact and explain the suitability of the candidate for independent director. If the candidate is elected as an independent director, TCC shall disclose the number of votes cast in favor of the elected independent director.

> The "group enterprises and organizations" in the preceding paragraph comprise the subsidiaries of TCC, any foundation to which TCC's cumulative direct or indirect contribution of funds exceeds 50 percent of its endowment, and other institutions or juristic persons that are effectively controlled by the company.

Change of status between independent directors and non-independent

directors during their term of office is prohibited.

The professional qualifications, restrictions on both shareholding and concurrent positions held, determination of independence, method of nomination and other requirements with regard to the independent directors shall be set forth in accordance with the Securities and Exchange Act, the Regulations Governing Appointment of Independent Directors and Compliance Matter for Public Companies, and the rules and regulations of the Taiwan Stock Exchange or GreTai Securities Market.

Article 25 TCC shall submit the following matters to the board of directors for approval by resolution as provided in the Securities and Exchange Act.
 When an independent director has a dissenting opinion or qualified opinion, it shall be noted in the minutes of the directors meeting:

1. Adoption or amendment of the internal control system pursuant to Article 14-1 of the Securities and Exchange Act.

2. Adoption or amendment, pursuant to Article 36-1 of the Securities and Exchange Act, of handling procedures for financial or operational actions of material significance, such as acquisition or disposal of assets, derivatives trading, extension of monetary loans to others, or endorsements or guarantees for others.

3. A matter bearing on the personal interest of a director.

4. A material asset or derivatives transaction.

5. A material monetary loan, endorsement, or provision of guarantee.

6. The offering, issuance, or private placement of any equity-type securities.

7. The hiring, discharge, or compensation of an attesting CPA.

8. The appointment or discharge of a financial, accounting, or internal auditing officer.

9. Any other material matter so required by the competent authority.

Article 26 TCC shall stipulate the scope of duties of the independent directors and empower them with manpower and physical support related to the exercise of their power. TCC or other board members shall not obstruct, reject or circumvent the performance of duties by the independent directors.

TCC shall stipulate the remuneration of the directors according to applicable laws and regulations. The remuneration of the directors shall fully reflect the personal performance and the long-term management performance of the company, and shall also take the overall operational risks of the company into consideration. Different but reasonable remuneration from that of other directors may be set forth for the independent directors.

Section III Functional Committee

Article 27 For the purpose of developing supervisory functions and strengthening management mechanisms, TCC's board of directors, in consideration of the company's scale and type of operations and the number of its board members, may set up various functional committees.

> Functional committees shall be responsible to the board of directors and submit their proposals to the board of directors for approval, provided that the performance of supervisor's duties by the audit committee pursuant to Article 14-4, Paragraph 4 of the Securities and Exchange Act shall be excluded.

> Functional committees shall adopt an organizational charter to be approved by the board of directors. The organizational charter shall contain the numbers, terms of office, and powers of committee members, as well as the meeting rules and resources to be provided by the company for exercise of power by the committee.

Article 28 TCC shall establish either an audit committee which shall comprise of the entire number of independent directors. It shall not be fewer than three persons in number, one of whom shall be convener, and at least one of whom shall have accounting or financial expertise.

> The exercise of power by audit committee and independent directors and related matters shall be set forth in accordance with the Securities and Exchange Act, the Regulations Governing the Exercise of Powers by Audit Committees of Public Companies, and the rules and

regulations of the TWSE or TPEx.

- Article 28-1 TCC shall establish a remuneration committee. It is advisable that more than half of the committee members be independent directors. The professional qualifications for the committee members, the exercise of their powers of office, the adoption of the organizational charter, and related matters shall be handled pursuant to the Regulations Governing the Appointment and Exercise of Powers by the Remuneration Committee of a Company Whose Stock is Listed on the Stock Exchange or Traded Over the Counter.
- Article 28-2 TCC is advised to establish a nominating committee and adopt an organizational charter. It is advisable that more than one-half of the committee members be independent directors, of whom one shall be the chairperson of the committee.
- Article 28-3 TCC is advised to establish and announce channels for internal and external whistleblowers and have whistleblower protection mechanisms in place. The unit that handles whistleblowers' reporting shall be independent, provide encrypted protection for the files furnished by whistleblowers, and appropriately restrict access to such files. It shall also formulate internal procedures and incorporate those procedures into the company's internal control system for management purposes.
- Article 29 TCC shall select as its external auditor a professional, responsible, and independent attesting CPA, who shall perform regular reviews of the financial conditions and internal control measures of the company. With regard to any irregularity or deficiency discovered and disclosed in a timely manner by the auditor during the review, and concrete measures for improvement or prevention suggested by the auditor, the company shall faithfully implement improvement actions. It is advisable that the company establish channels and mechanisms of communication between the independent directors or audit committee, and the attesting CPA, and to incorporate procedures for that purpose into the company's internal control system for management purposes.

TCC shall evaluate the independence and suitability of the CPA engaged by the company regularly, and no less frequently than once in a year. In the event that the company engages the same CPA without replacement for 7 years consecutively, or if the CPA is subject to disciplinary action or other circumstances prejudicial to the CPA's independence, TCC shall evaluate the necessity of replacing the CPA and submit its conclusion to the board of directors.

Article 30 TCC is advised to engage a professional and competent legal counsel to provide adequate legal consultation services to the company, or to assist the directors, the supervisors and the management to improve their knowledge of the law, for the purposes of preventing any infraction of laws or regulations by the company or its staff and ensuring that corporate governance matters proceed pursuant to the relevant legal framework and the prescribed procedures.

When, as a result of performing their lawful duties, directors or the management are involved in litigation or a dispute with shareholders, the company shall retain a legal counsel to provide assistance as circumstances require.

The audit committee or an independent director may retain the service of legal counsel, CPA, or other professionals on behalf of the company to conduct a necessary audit or provide consultation on matters in relation to the exercise of their power, at the expense of the company.

Section IV Rules for the Proceedings and Decision-Making Procedures of Board Meetings

Article 31 TCC's board of directors shall meet at least once every quarter, or convene at any time in case of emergency. To convene a board meeting, a meeting notice which specifies the purposes of the meeting shall be sent to each director no later than 7 days before the scheduled date. Sufficient meeting materials shall also be prepared and enclosed in the meeting notice. If the meeting materials are deemed inadequate, a director may ask the unit in charge to provide more information or

request a postponement of the meeting with the consent of the board of directors.

TCC shall adopt rules of procedure for board meetings, which shall follow the Regulations Governing Procedure for Board of Directors Meetings of Public Companies with regard to the content of deliberations, procedures, matters to be recorded in the meeting minutes, public announcements, and other matters for compliance.

Article 32 TCC's directors shall exercise a high degree of self-discipline. If a director or a juristic person represented by the director is an interested party with respect to any proposal for a board meeting, the director shall state the important aspects of the interested party relationship at the meeting. When the relationship is likely to prejudice the interests of the company, the director shall not participate in discussion or voting on that proposal and shall enter recusal during the discussion and voting. The director also may not act as another director's proxy to exercise voting rights on that matter.

Matters requiring the voluntary recusal of a director shall be clearly set forth in the rules of procedure for board meetings.

Article 33 When a board meeting is convened to consider any matter submitted to it pursuant to Article 14-3 of the Securities and Exchange Act, an independent director shall attend the board meeting in person, and may not be represented by a non-independent director via proxy. When an independent director has a dissenting or qualified opinion, it shall be noted in the minutes of the board of directors meeting; if the independent director cannot attend the board meeting in person to voice his or her dissenting or qualified opinion, he or she shall provide a written opinion before the board meeting unless there are justifiable reasons for failure to do so, and the opinion shall be noted in the minutes of the board of directors meeting.

> In any of the following circumstances, decisions made by the board of directors shall be noted in the meeting minutes, and in addition, publicly announced and filed on the MOPS two hours before the

beginning of trading hours on the first business day after the date of the board meeting:

1. An independent director has a dissenting or qualified opinion which is on record or stated in a written statement.

2. The matter was not approved by the audit committee (if the company has set up an audit committee), but had the consent of more than two-thirds of all directors.

During a board meeting, managers from relevant departments who are not directors may, in view of the meeting agenda, sit in at the meetings, make reports on the current business conditions of the company and respond to inquiries raised by the directors. Where necessary, a CPA, legal counsel, or other professional may be invited to sit in at the meetings to assist the directors in understanding the conditions of the company for the purpose of adopting an appropriate resolution, provided that they shall leave the meeting when deliberation or voting takes place.

Article 34 TCC's staff personnel attending board meetings shall collect and correctly record the meeting minutes in detail, as well as a summary, the method of resolution, and voting results of all the proposals submitted to the board meeting in accordance with relevant regulations. The minutes of the board of directors meetings shall be signed or stamped with the required seals by the chairperson and secretary of the meeting and sent to each director within 20 days after the meeting. The director attendance records shall be made part of the meeting minutes, treated as important corporate records, and kept safe permanently during the life of the company.

Meeting minutes may be produced, distributed, and preserved by electronic means.

A company shall record on audio or video tape the entire proceedings of a board of directors meeting and preserve the recordings for at least 5 years, in electronic form or otherwise.

If before the end of the preservation period referred to in the preceding

paragraph a lawsuit arises with respect to a resolution of a board of directors meeting, the relevant audio or video recordings shall be preserved for a further period, in which case the preceding paragraph does not apply.

Where a board of directors meeting is held via teleconference or video conference, the audio or video recordings of the meeting form a part of the meeting minutes and shall be preserved permanently.

When a resolution of the board of directors violates laws, regulations, the articles of incorporation, or resolutions adopted in the shareholders' meeting, and thus causes an injury to the company, dissenting directors whose dissent can be proven by minutes or written statements will not be liable for damages.

Article 35 TCC shall submit the following matters to its board of directors for discussion:

1. Corporate business plans.

2. Annual and semi-annual financial reports, with the exception of semi-annual financial reports which, under relevant laws and regulations, need not be CPA-audited and attested.

3. Adoption or amendment to an internal control system pursuant to Article 14-1 of the Securities and Exchange Act, and evaluation of effectiveness of an internal control system.

4. Adoption or amendment, pursuant to Article 36-1 of the Securities and Exchange Act, to the handling procedures for financial or operational actions of material significance, such as acquisition or disposal of assets, derivatives trading, extension of monetary loans to others, or endorsements or guarantees for others.

5. The offering, issuance, or private placement of any equity-type securities.

6. The performance assessment and the standard of remuneration of the managerial officers.

7. The structure and system of director's remuneration.

8. The appointment or discharge of a financial, accounting, or internal

audit officer.

9. A donation to a related party or a major donation to a non-related party, provided that a public-interest donation of disaster relief for a major natural disaster may be submitted to the next board meeting for retroactive recognition.

10. Any matter required by Article 14-3 of the Securities and Exchange Act or any other law, regulation, or bylaw to be approved by resolution at a shareholders' meeting or to be approved by resolution at a meeting of the board of directors, or any such significant matter as may be prescribed by the competent authority.

Except for matters that must be submitted to the board of directors for discussion under the preceding paragraph, when the board of directors is in recess, it may delegate the exercise of its power to others in accordance with law, regulations, or its articles of incorporation. However, the level of delegation or the content or matters to be delegated shall be clearly specified, and general authorization is not permitted.

Article 36 TCC shall ask the appropriate corporate department or personnel to execute matters pursuant to board of directors' resolutions in a manner consistent with the planned schedule and objectives. It shall also follow up on those matters and faithfully review their implementation.
 The board of directors shall remain informed of the progress of implementation and receive reports in subsequent meetings to ensure the actual implementation of the board's management decisions.

Section V Fiduciary Duty, Duty of Care and Responsibility of Directors

Article 37 Members of the board of directors shall faithfully conduct corporate affairs and perform the duty of care of a good administrator. In conducting the affairs of the company, they shall exercise their powers with a high level of self-discipline and prudence. Unless matters are otherwise reserved by law for approval in shareholders' meetings or in the articles of incorporation, they shall ensure that all matters are handled according to the resolutions of board of directors.

TCC is advised to formulate rules and procedures for board of directors' performance assessments. TCC shall conduct performance assessments of the board of directors, functional committees, and individual directors through self-assessment, peer-to-peer assessments regularly on a yearly basis. In addition, TCC may engage outside professional institutions, or in any other appropriate manner. The performance assessment of the board of directors shall include the following aspects, and that appropriate assessment indicators be developed in consideration of the company's needs:

1. The degree of participation in the company's operations.

2. Improvement in the quality of decision making by the board of directors.

3. The composition and structure of the board of directors.

4. The election of the directors and their continuing professional education.

5. Internal controls.

It is advisable that the performance assessments of board members (self-assessments or peer-to-peer assessments) include the following aspects, with appropriate adjustments made on the basis of the company's needs:

1. Their grasp of the company's goals and missions.

2. Their recognition of director's duties.

3. Their degree of participation in the company's operations.

4. Their management of internal relationships and communication.

5. Their professionalism and continuing professional education.

6. Internal controls.

The performance assessment of a functional committee is advised to cover the following aspects, subject to changes according to the company's needs:

1. Their degree of participation in the company's operations.

2. Their recognition of the duties of the functional committee.

3. Improvement in the quality of decision making by the functional committee.

4. The composition of the functional committee, and election and appointment of committee members.

5. Internal control.

TCC is advised to submit the results of performance assessments to the board of directors and use them as reference in determining compensation for individual directors, their nomination and additional office term.

- Article 37-1 TCC is advised to establish a succession plan for the management. The development and implementation of such plan shall be periodically evaluated by the board of directors to ensure sustainable operation.
- Article 37-2 The board of directors is advised to evaluate and supervise the operation directions and performance of the company's intellectual properties in the following aspects, so as to ensure that the company establishes a management system of "planning, execution, inspection and action":

1. Formulate intellectual property management policies, objectives and systems based on operation strategies.

2. Establish, implement and maintain a management system for the acquisition, protection, maintenance and use of intellectual properties based on its scale and type.

3. Determine and provide resources necessary for the effective implementation and maintenance of the intellectual property management system.

4. Monitor internal and external risks and opportunities related to intellectual property management and take corresponding measures. Plan and implement a continuous improvement mechanism to ensure the operation and effectiveness of the smart property management system in line with the company's expectations.

Article 38 If a resolution of the board of directors violates law, regulations or the

company's articles of incorporation, then at the request of shareholders holding shares continuously for a year or an independent director, or at the notice of a supervisor to discontinue the implementation of the resolution, members of the board shall take appropriate measures or discontinue the implementation of such resolution as soon as possible. Upon discovering a likelihood that the company would suffer material injury, members of the board of directors shall immediately report to the audit committee or an independent director in accordance with the foregoing paragraph.

Article 39 TCC is advised to purchase directors' liability insurance with respect to liabilities resulting from exercising their duties during their terms of occupancy so as to reduce and spread the risk of material harm to the company and shareholders arising from the wrongdoings or negligence of a director.

> TCC shall report the insured amount, coverage, premium rate, and other major contents of the liability insurance it has taken out or renewed for directors, at the next board meeting.

Article 40 Members of the board of directors are advised to participate in training courses on finance, risk management, business, commerce, accounting or law offered by institutions designated in the Rules Governing Implementation of Continuing Education for Directors of TWSE/TPEx Listed Companies, which cover subjects relating to corporate governance upon becoming directors and throughout their terms of occupancy. They shall also ensure that company employees at all levels will enhance their professionalism and knowledge of the law.

Chapter VI. Respecting Stakeholders' Rights and Interests

Article 41 TCC shall maintain channels of communication with its banks and other creditors, employees, consumers, suppliers, community, or other stakeholders of the company, respect and safeguard their legal rights and interests, and designate a stakeholder's section on its website.
 When a management buy-out takes place within TCC, attention shall

be paid to the soundness of the subsequent financial structure of the company

When any of a stakeholder's legal rights or interests is harmed, the company shall handle the matter in a proper manner and in good faith.

- Article 42 TCC shall provide sufficient information to banks and its other creditors to facilitate their evaluation of the operational and financial conditions of the company and its decision-making process. When any of their legal rights or interest is harmed, the company shall respond with a responsible attitude and assist creditors in obtaining compensation through proper means.
- Article 43 TCC shall establish channels of communication with employees and encourage employees to reflect employees' opinions about the management, financial conditions, or material decisions of the company concerning employee welfare.
- Article 44 In developing its normal business and maximizing the shareholders' interest, TCC shall pay attention to consumers' interests, environmental protection of the community, and public interest issues, and shall give serious regard to the company's social responsibility.

Chapter V Improving Information Transparency

Section I Enhancing Information Disclosure

- Article 45 TCC shall perform its obligations faithfully in accordance with the relevant laws and the related TWSE and TPEx rules.
 TCC shall establish an Internet-based reporting system for public information, appoint personnel responsible for gathering and disclosing the information, and establish a spokesperson system so as to ensure the proper and timely disclosure of information about policies that might affect the decisions of shareholders and stakeholders.
- Article 46 In order to enhance the accuracy and timeliness of the material information disclosed, TCC shall appoint a spokesperson and acting spokesperson(s) who understand thoroughly the company's financial and business conditions and who are capable of coordinating among

departments for gathering relevant information and representing the company in making statements independently.

TCC shall appoint one or more acting spokespersons who shall represent the company, when the spokesperson cannot perform his/her duties, in making statements independently, provided that the order of authority is established to avoid any confusion.

In order to implement the spokesperson system, TCC shall unify the process of making external statements. It shall require the management and employees to maintain the confidentiality of financial and operational secrets and prohibit their disclosure of any such information at will.

The company shall disclose the relevant information immediately whenever there is any change to the position of a spokesperson or acting spokesperson.

Article 47 In order to keep shareholders and stakeholders fully informed, TCC is advised to utilize the convenience of the Internet and set up a website containing the information regarding the company's finances, operations, and corporate governance. It is also advisable for the company to provide relevant information on corporate governance in English.

> To avoid misleading information, the aforesaid website shall be maintained by specified personnel, and the recorded information shall be accurate, detailed and updated on a timely basis.

Article 48 TCC shall hold an investor conference in compliance with the regulations of the TWSE and TPEx, and shall keep an audio or video record of the meeting. The financial and business information disclosed in the investor conference shall be disclosed on the Market Observation Post System and provided for inquiry through the website established by the company, or through other channels, in accordance with the TWSE or TPEx rules.

Section II Disclosure of Information on Corporate Governance

Article 49 TCC shall disclose and update from time to time the following

information regarding corporate governance in the fiscal year in accordance with laws and regulations and TWSE or TPEx rules:

1. Corporate governance framework and rules.

2. Ownership structure and the rights and interests of shareholders, including specific and explicit dividend policy).

3. Structure, professionalism and independence of the board of directors.

4. Responsibility of the board of directors and managerial officers.

5. Composition, duties and independence of the audit committee.

6. Composition, duties and operation of the remuneration committee and other functional committees.

7. The remuneration paid to the directors, general manager and vice general manager in the last two fiscal years, the analysis of the percentage of total remuneration to net profit after tax in the parent company only financial reports or individual financial reports, the policy, standard and package of remuneration payment, the procedure for determination of remuneration and the connection with the operation performance and future risk. Under special individual circumstances, remuneration of individual directors shall be disclosed.

8. The progress of training of directors.

9. The rights and relationships regarding stakeholders.

10. Details of the events subject to information disclosure required by law and regulations.

11. The enforcement of corporate governance, differences between the corporate governance principles implemented by the company and these Principles, and the reason for the differences.

12. Other information regarding corporate governance.

TCC is advised, according to the actual performance of the corporate governance system, to disclose the plans and measures to improve its corporate governance system through appropriate mechanisms.

Chapter VI Supplementary Provisions

- Article 50 TCC shall at all times monitor domestic and international developments in corporate governance as a basis for review and improvement of the company's own corporate governance mechanisms, so as to enhance their effectiveness.
- Article 51 Other matters concerning TCC's corporate governance shall be handled in accordance with the Company Act, the Securities and Exchange Act, other relevant laws and regulations and general practices.
- Article 52These Principles, and any and all amendments thereto, shall take effect
after the adoption of a resolution thereon by the board of directors.